



***N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission and N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission
Joint Committee on Delineation of Fishing Waters***

Meeting Agenda

May 1, 2019

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Craven County Center

300 Industrial Dr

New Bern, NC 28562

Welcome/Open Meeting

Rob Bizzell/John Stone

Introductions

Review Joint Committee Charge and Timeline

Approval of Minutes from March 21, 2019 Meeting (**Exhibit A**)

Unfinished Business

- Tabled Motion from March 21, 2019 Meeting:
 1. to accept the use of salinity as an objective, scientifically valid, and biologically defensible methodology to determine delineation of inland, joint and coastal waters, which is consistent with the NC Coastal Habitat Protection Plan's source document and for staff of NCWRC and NCDMF to work collaboratively to refine salinity maps as necessary; AND
 2. consider all waters outside of the coastal sounds with salinities less than 4 parts per thousand year-round as Inland Fishing Waters and consider all waters with salinities greater than 4 parts per thousand year-round as Coastal Fishing Waters; AND
 3. due to seasonal fluctuations of salinities, the JCDFW requests staff of NCWRC and NCDMF work collaboratively to provide recommendations for determining the inland-coastal delineations in those areas where salinities are greater than 4 parts per thousand during high salinity periods and less than 4 parts per thousand in low salinity periods.

Fish Assemblage Groupings

Salinity Gradients

Public Engagement and Input

- Consider ideas to integrate public engagement and participation in the work of the JCDFW

Schedule Next Meeting

Additional Topics

Adjourn